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# Impact of Power Management Strategies on Micro-Grid Dynamic Performance

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#### **Definitions**

- A Distributed Resource (DR) unit includes either a Distributed Generation (DG) unit, a Distributed Storage (DS) unit, or a hybrid of DG and DS units.
- A micro-grid is a cluster of loads and distributed resource units serviced by a distribution grid and capable of
  - operation in a grid-connected mode,
  - operation in an autonomous (islanded) mode,
  - ride-through between the above two modes.



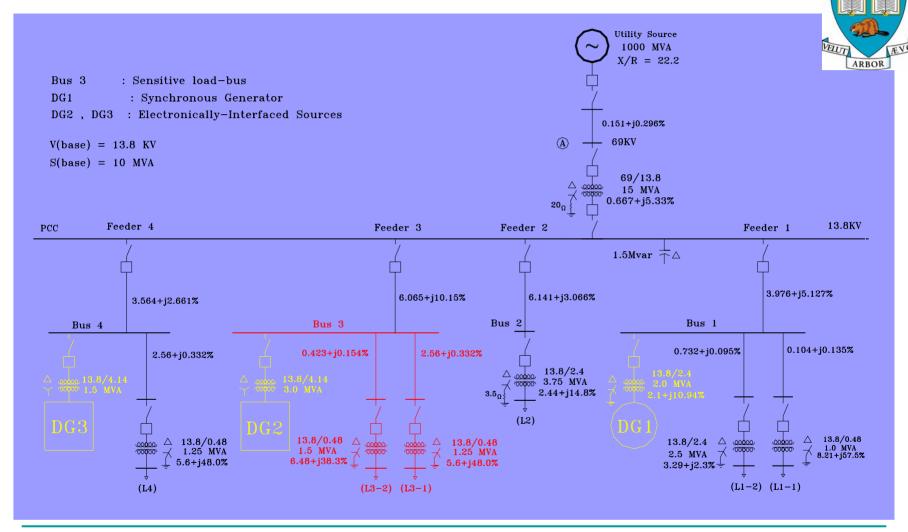
# Assumptions



- Radial distribution system
- Dispatchable DR units
- No spinning reserve or back-up units
- No communications
- Frequency deviation (and frequency control) considered



### Benchmark System





# Investigation Methods



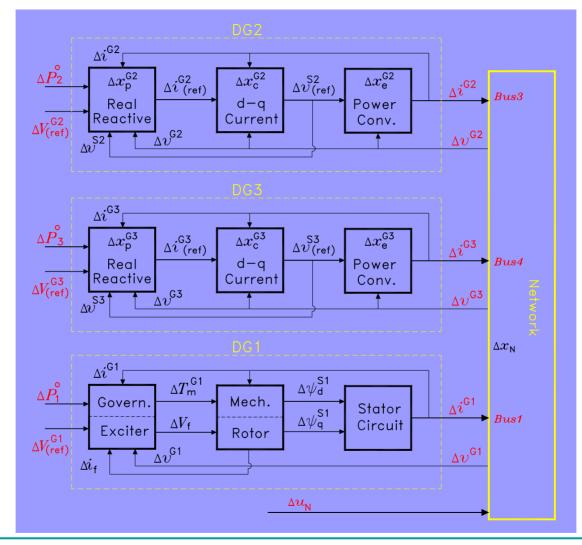
 Digital time-domain simulation in PSCAD/EMTDC environment

 Small-Signal dynamic analysis based on eigen analysis in MATLAB environment



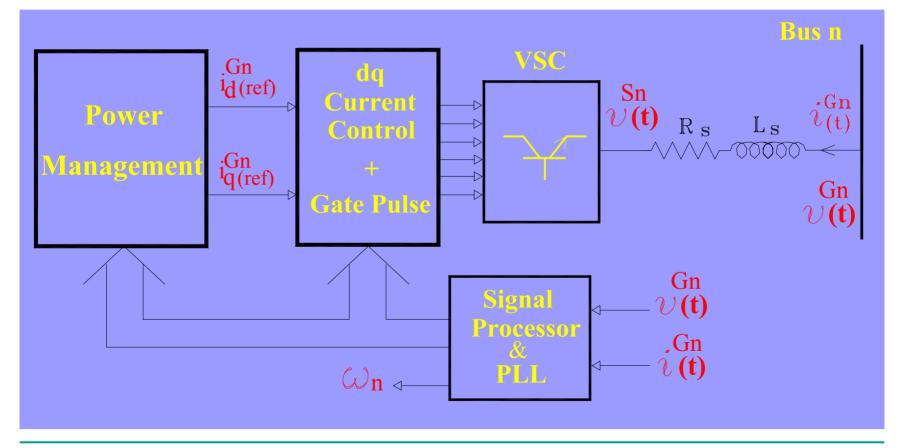
# Small-Signal Model





# Power Management and DR Controls



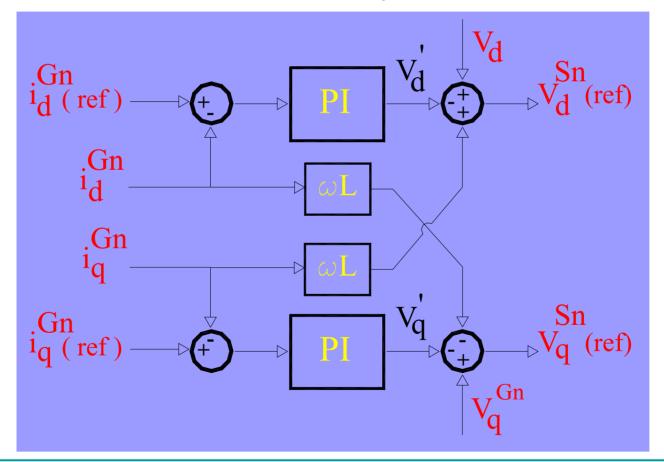




#### **DR** Controls



dq current controllers for an electronically-interfaced DG unit





# Power Management Strategies

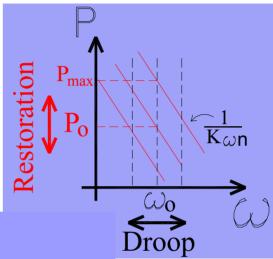
- A Power Management System (PMS) assigns references for real and reactive power components of DR units within a micro-grid to:
  - share real-/reactive-power among DR units,
  - (rapidly) respond to small-signal and large-signal disturbances,
  - determine final operating conditions of DR units to balance power and restore micro-grid frequency,
  - assist in re-synchronization of an autonomous micro-grid to the main grid.

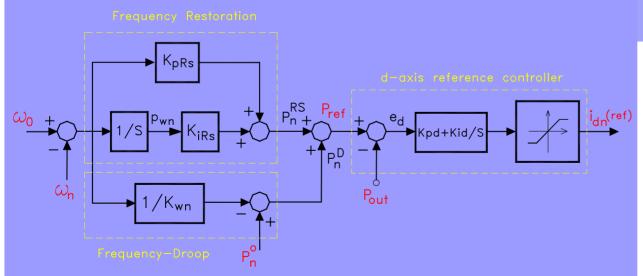


# PMS (Real Power)

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 Frequency-droop characteristic and frequency restoration algorithm

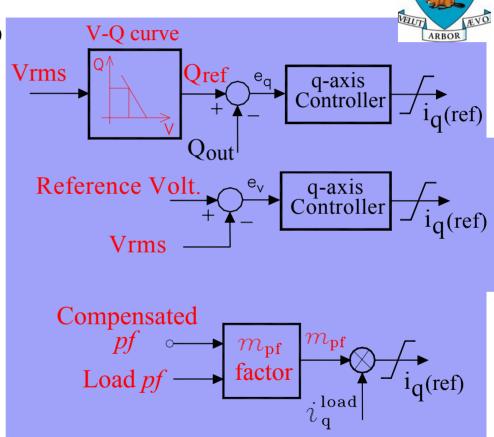






# PMS (Reactive Power)

- Strategy I: Voltage-droop
   Characteristic
- Strategy II:Voltage Regulation
- Strategy III: Power Factor Correction
- Strategy IV:
  Hybrid of I to III





#### **Case Studies**

EVO

DG1: 1.47-MW

0.59-MVAr

DG2: 1.87-MW

1.06-MVAr

DG3: 0.96-MW

0.41-MVAr

**Total Demand:** 

4.21-MW/2.79-MVAr

Eigen	C ase I		Case <b>Ⅱ</b>	
values	Real (1/s)	Im. (rad/s)	Real (1/s)	Im. (rad/s)
1,2	- 219.556	± 2164.05	- 2298.7	± 2139.14
3,4	- 366.93	± 1175.57	- 290.0	± 1278.64
5,6	- 18.0	±725.9	- 62.6	±706.99
7,8	- 39.56	± 507.59	- 81.71	± 456.86
9,10	- 110.71	± 427.52	- 113.44	± 420.54
11,12	- 1710.09	± 389.43	- 1709.07	± 380.86
13,14	- 748.57	± 380.52	- 747.09	± 377.24
15,16	- 365.37	± 386.08	- 361.29	± 374.22
17,18	- 425.76	± 377.0	- 425.75	± 376.98
19,20	- 56.46	± 336.43	- 143.99	± 291.09
21,22	- 193.0	±77.35	- 112.32	± 39.41
23,24	- 0.738	± 9.98	- 0.86	± 10.0

Case I:

Real PMS: frequency-droop,

Reactive PMS: voltage-droop

characteristics for DG2 and DG3

Case II:

Real PMS: same as Case I,

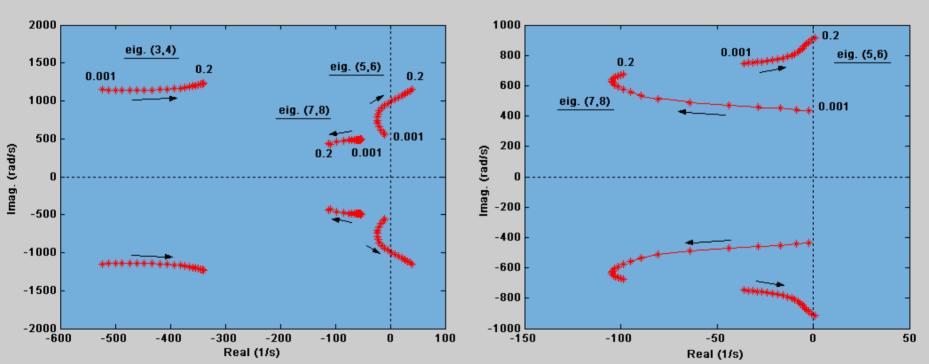
Reactive PMS: voltage-droop for DG2

and voltage regulation for DG3



# Eigen Analysis





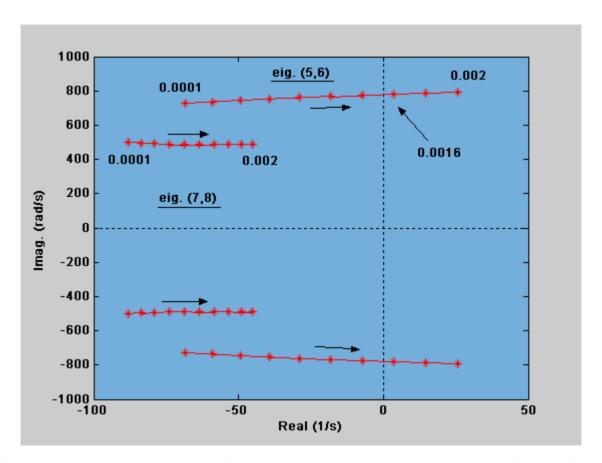
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Change in the gain of real power controller for DG3



# Eigen Analysis





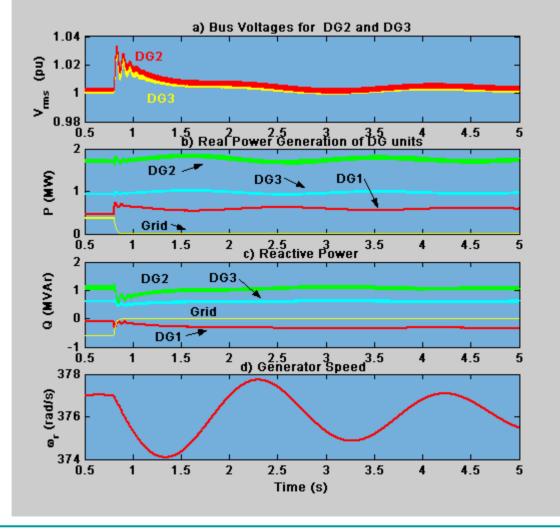
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# Intentional Islanding



Intentional islanding, PMS I

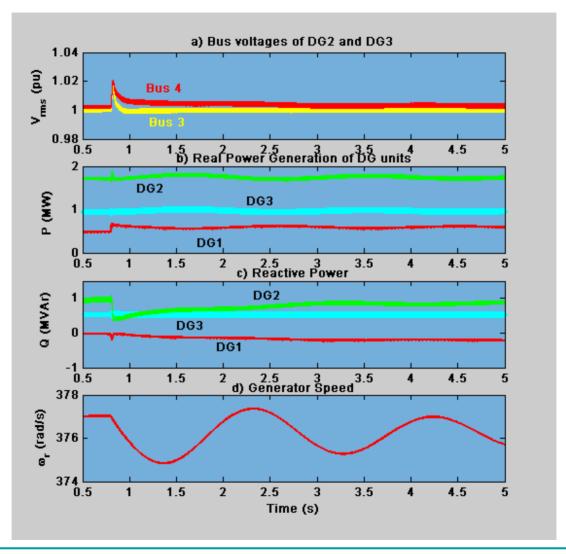




# Intentional Islanding



Intentional islanding,PMS II and PMS III

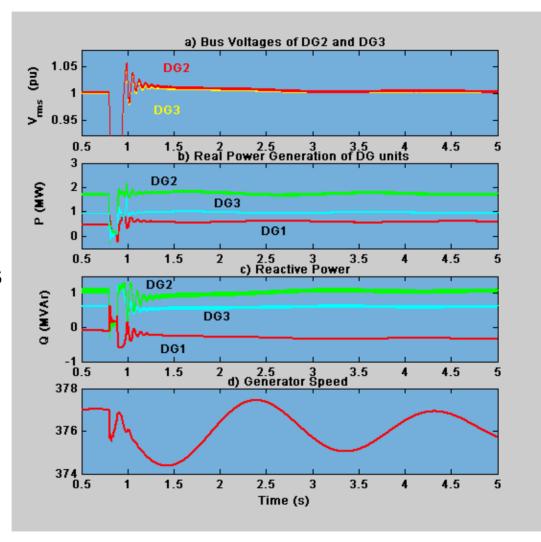




# Accidental Islanding (Fault)



- PMS: PMSI
- Disturbance:3-Phase toground fault at t=0.8s





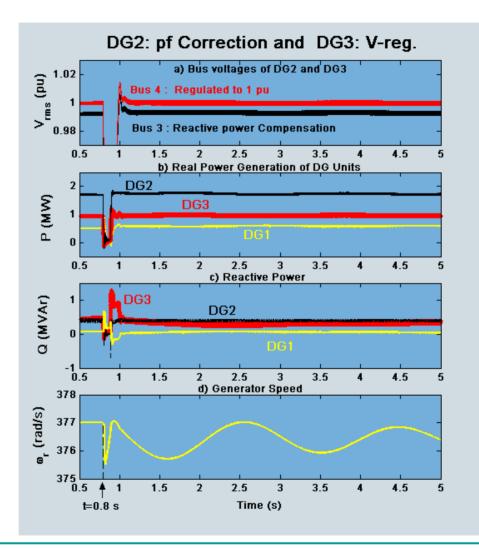
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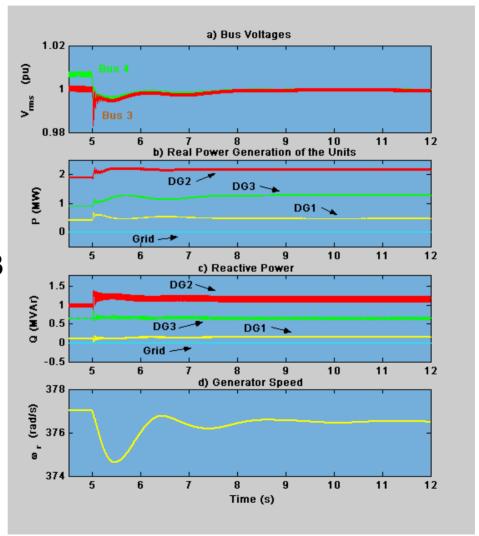


# **Autonomous Operation**



#### **Load Change**

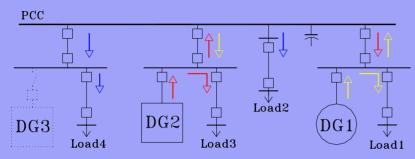
- PMS:
  - Droop characteristics
- Disturbance:
  - Real power of Load-3 is doubled at t=5s





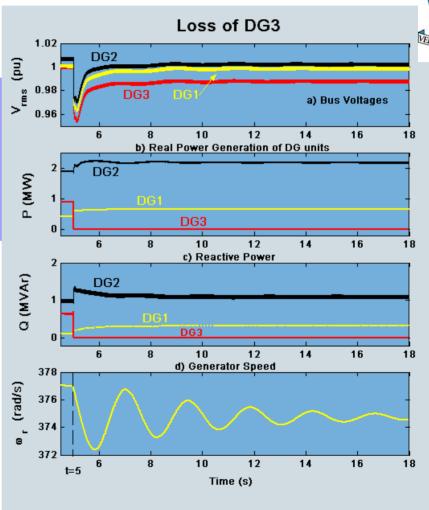
# **Autonomous Operation**

#### Loss of a Generation Unit



- PMS:
  - Droop characteristics
- Disturbance:

DG3 is disconnected at t=5s





#### Conclusions

- Optimized controls and PMS parameters of Dk<sup>®</sup> units can provide satisfactory performance of the microgrid under both grid-connected and islanded modes of operation.
- A hybrid of voltage droop, voltage regulation and power factor correction in conjunction with frequency droop and frequency restoration can minimize dynamic interactions among DR units and and assist in microgrid transition between grid-connected and islanded modes.

